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Sir

It is requested that the time for response to this Office Action dated September 6, 2006 be extended for a one-month period of time to end January 6, 2007, under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136. The Examiner is hereby authorized to charge the fee of \$120.00 called for by 37 C.F.R. §1.17 to Deposit Account 50-0845.

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